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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Performace

## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 30, 2006, Applicants present this Preliminary Amendment and Accompanying Request for Continuing Examination.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.